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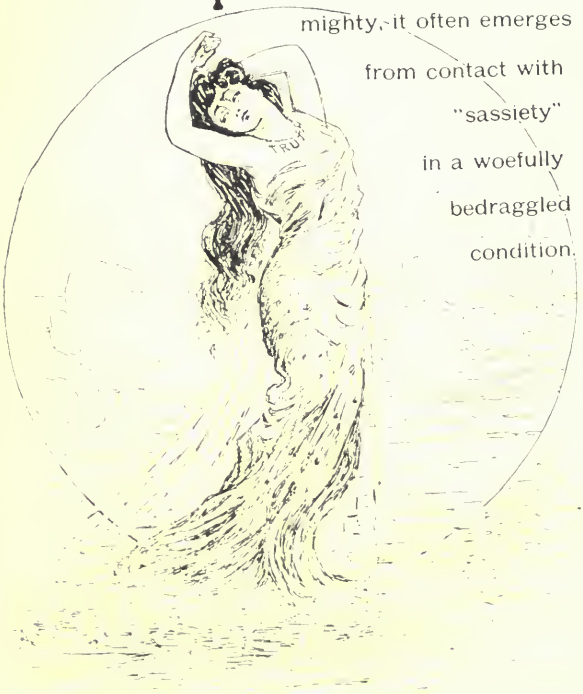
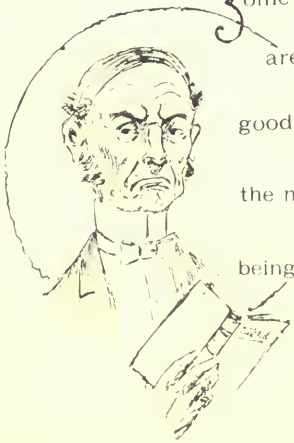


The wise cat never waits for the second bootjack



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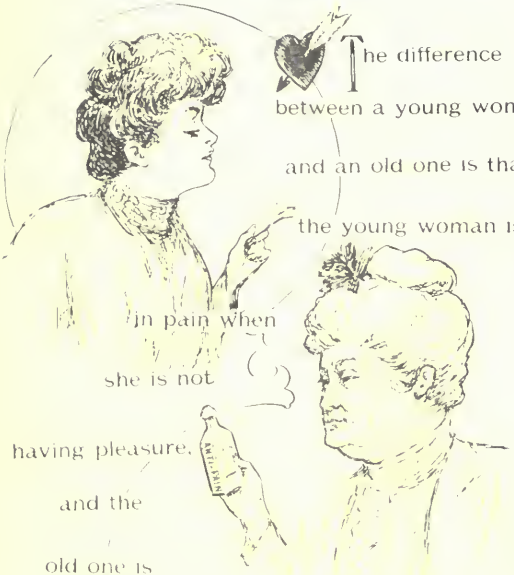
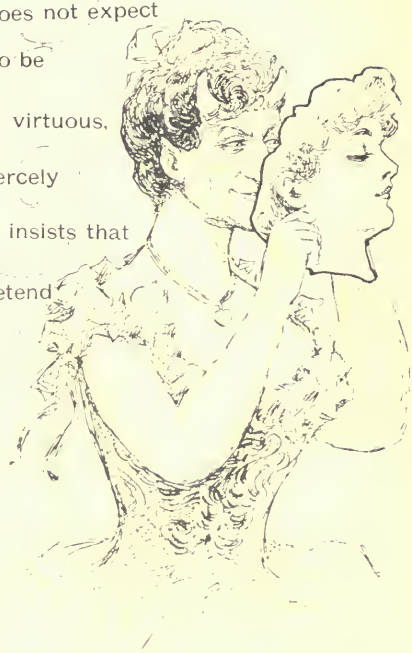

The difference
between a young woman
and an old one is that
the young woman is
in pain when
she is not
having pleasure,
and the
old one is
in pleasure when she is
not having pain.

Only the rich
themselves know how
unhappy they are—
no one else
will believe it.

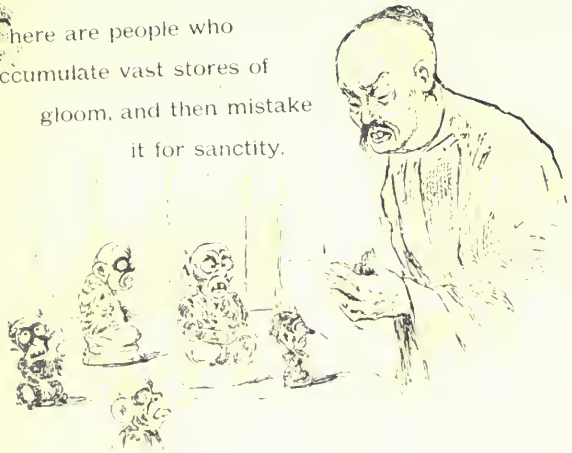
Don't be ready to quarrel; but it is well, if you see that your enemy is going to advance on you, to save him the trouble.

The man who can tell you how to write poetry, run a bank, expound the law, and play a fiddle is the kind of man that generally has to borrow money of his friends to live on.

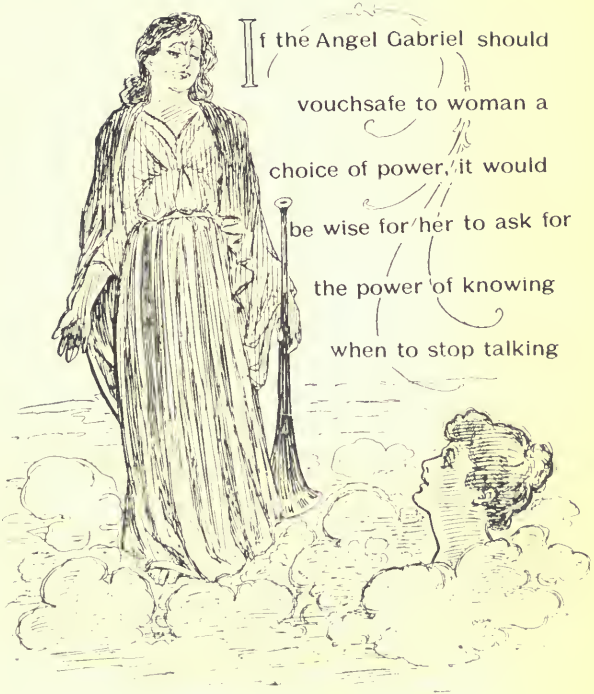
Society does not expect you to be virtuous, but fiercely insists that you pretend to be.



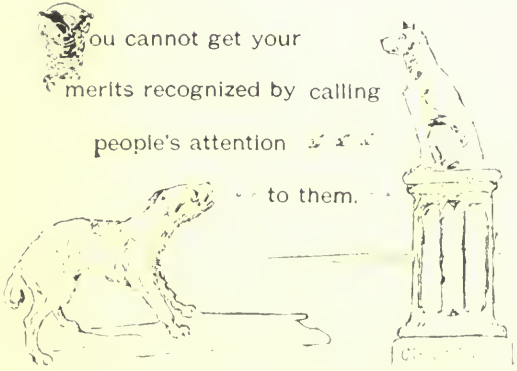
There are people who accumulate vast stores of gloom, and then mistake it for sanctity.



That rage is the most dangerous which is the most silent.

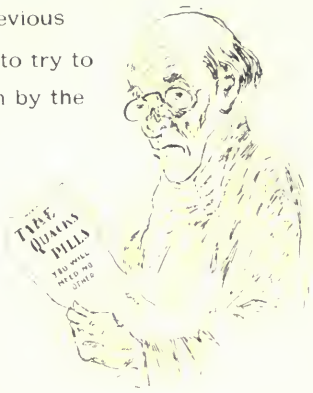

If the Angel Gabriel should
vouchsafe to woman a
choice of power, it would
be wise for her to ask for
the power of knowing
when to stop talking

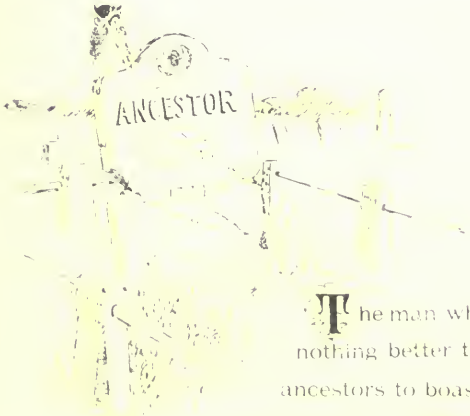
A bachelor spends
his early days free
from care and
ends them
carefully
and free
from gaiety.


You cannot get your
merits recognized by calling
people's attention
to them.

A hasty "No"
is sometimes
worse than
a foolish
"Yes."

It is an extremely devious course for a man to try to regulate his health by the information in the advertisements in the daily papers.

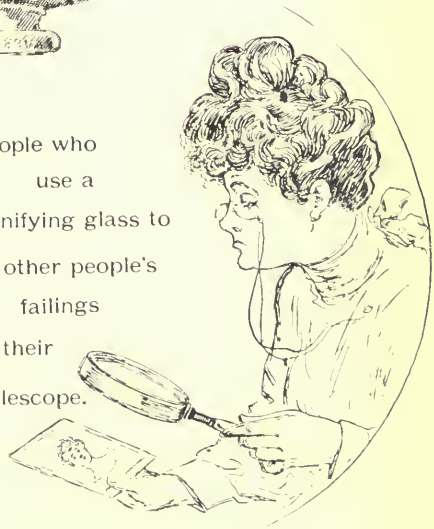




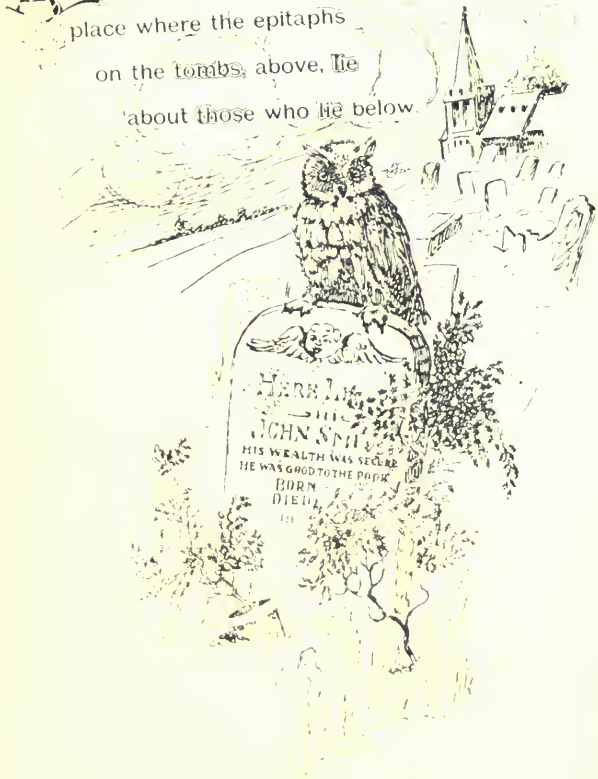
The man who has nothing better than his ancestors to boast about is like the potato: All that's good of him is underground.

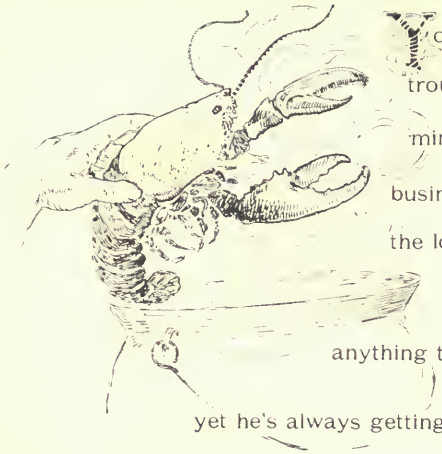
The worst hurt do not cry the loudest.

People who use a magnifying glass to see other people's failings can't see their own with a telescope.



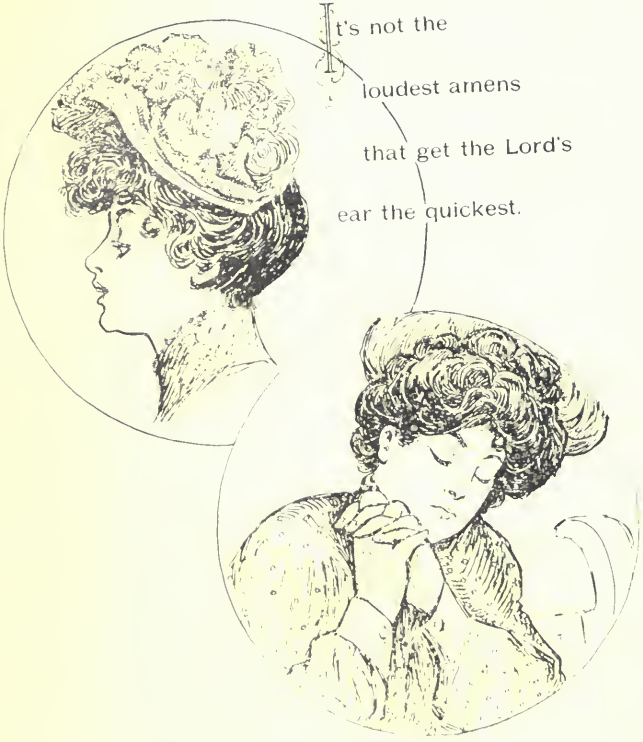
A Cemetery, is a
place where the epitaphs
on the tombs, above, lie
about those who lie below.



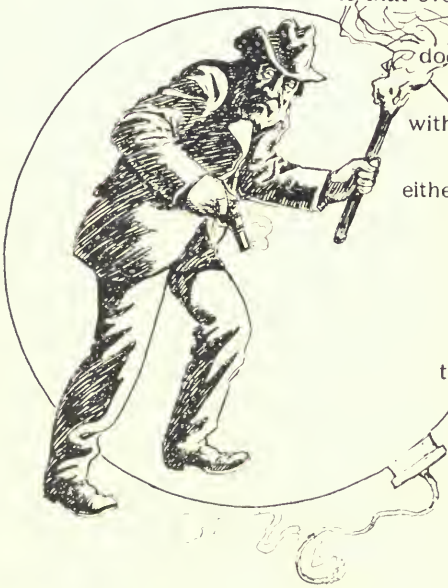


You can't avoid trouble even by minding your own business. Look at the lobster! he doesn't say anything to anybody; yet he's always getting into hot water.

When you remember that the past is gone, the future hasn't come, and the present is only a thing that is with you it should make you feel as if you should start for the wood-pile and get busy with your axe.


It's not the
loudest amens
that get the Lord's
ear the quickest.

The unloveliness of a bigoted person is because he thinks that everyone who does not agree with him should either change his mind or cease to encumber the earth.



It is the devil's own plan anyone follows who tries to escape misery by getting more of it,- like trying to drown trouble with hard drink

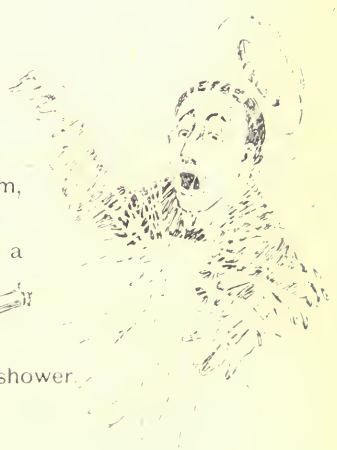
When a young woman becomes a new woman there's hope for her; she may reform.

But when an old woman becomes a new woman, there's no hope.

There is a great difference between the man who only wishes to say something

and the man who has something to say.

Turn the hose of ridicule on a man's enthusiasm, and it will wilt like a starched shirt-bosom in a shower.



Men supply the world with the biggest fools; but it has taken a woman to make each one of them.

It is foolish for strong young men to damage each other so in a scramble over a bag of wind, when they might do so much good at some poor widow's wood-pile.

The man who can't sing but thinks he can is no bigger fool than the man who is always talking and saying nothing.

The greatest heroes are unknown.

There is no dog

who loves to bite

better than

the dog

that has no

teeth.

Some people with an idea are

like an ass bearing a

pole with a wisp of hay

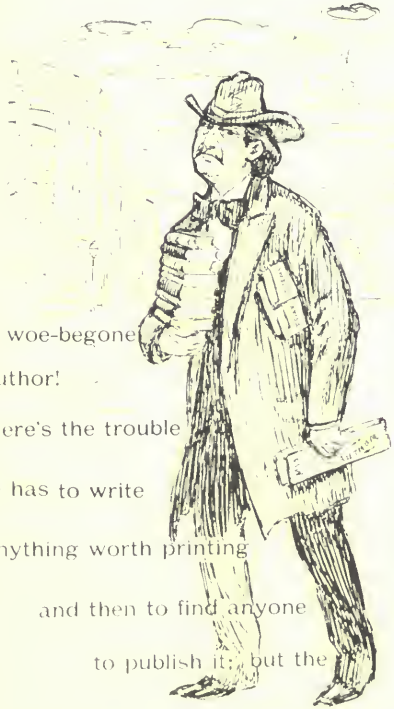
hung in front of his nose–

they will follow after

what they

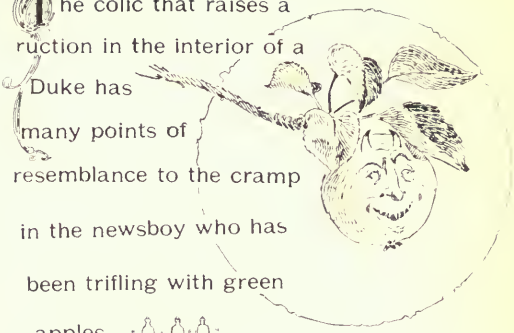
themselves

carry, until they are lost.



The woe-begone Author! There's the trouble he has to write anything worth printing and then to find anyone to publish it; but the worst of all is to get the people to read it

The colic that raises a ruction in the interior of a Duke has many points of resemblance to the cramp in the newsboy who has been trifling with green apples.



The hardest job a man ever tackled is to try to convince a woman agalnst ... her will. .....

No music will cause
the world to stop its ears
so quickly, as a song of woe

Some
women never learn the
great difference between
conversation and talk.

Debt is the

disturbing

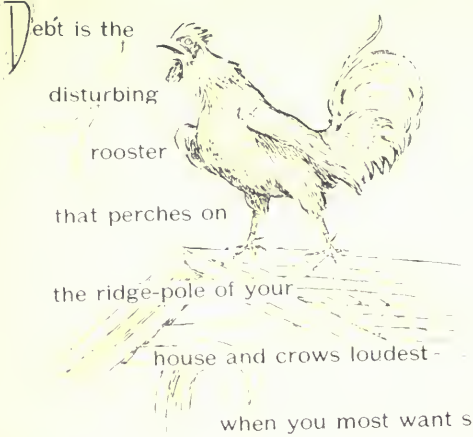
rooster

that perches on

the ridge-pole of your

house and crows loudest

when you most want sleep



The living

of a life is the gaining of

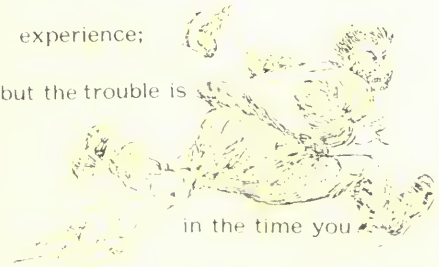
experience;

but the trouble is

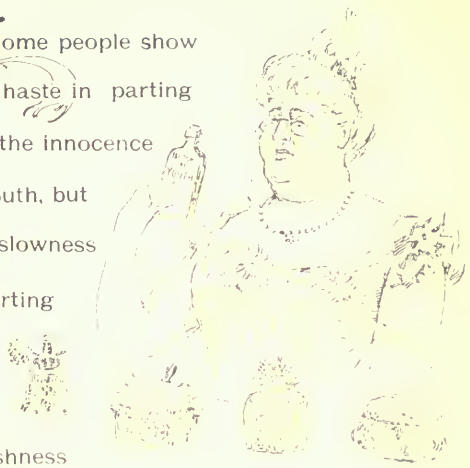
in the time you

waste in gaining experiences that

are needless

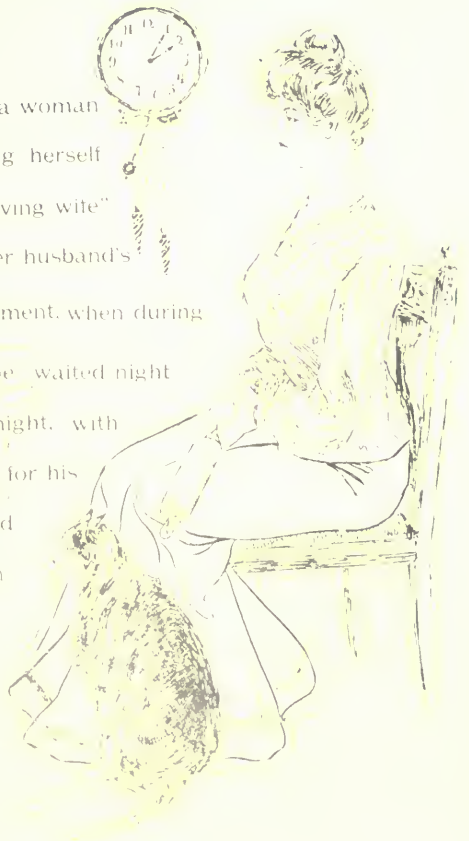


Some people show great haste in parting with the innocence of youth, but great slowness in parting with its foolishness

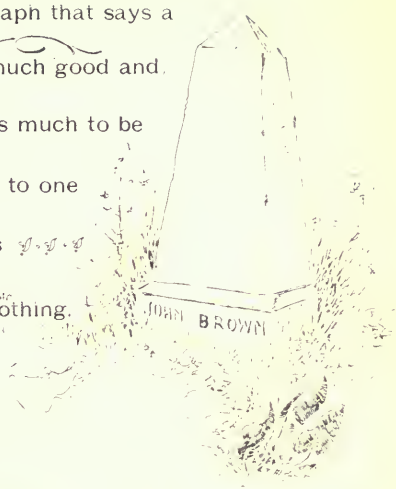


If you wish to meet with disaster, try to joke with a stupid person

Fancy a woman calling herself "a loving wife" on her husband's monument, when during life she waited night after night, with a club, for his belated return



The epitaph that says a man did much good and some ill, is much to be preferred to one that says he did nothing.



That he will not have to repent having eaten too much is no consolation to the starving man

It is pleasant enough to

endure the tribulation

that comes

in the shape

of a beautiful

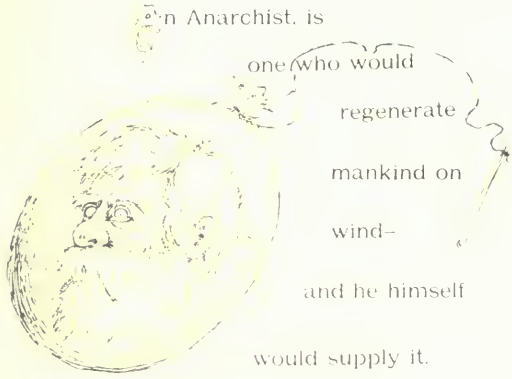
woman,—

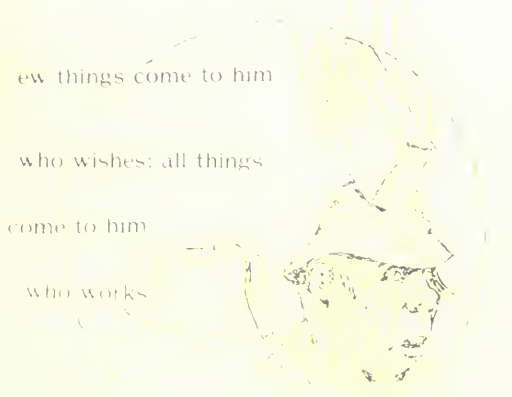
at least

until after

marriage

There would be fewer fools if half the thought were expended on filling the mind that there is in filling the stomach.


n Anarchist, is
one who would
regenerate
mankind on
wind–
and he himself
would supply it.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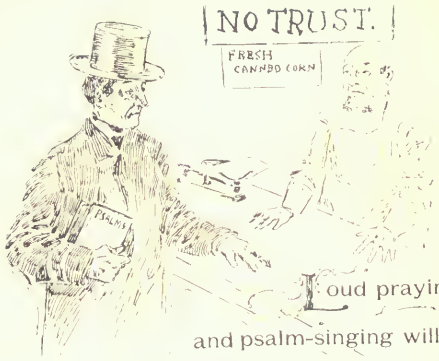

Loud praying and psalm-singing will not help your credit at the corner grocery

Trying to drive the wagon of life with a single mule called "hope" won't get you there.

What a fine vacation for a discontented woman would be a few days spent in thinking over the many things she doesn't want

A man who can say things in a way to make you yell with enthusiasm is an orator— that is, if you agree with him; otherwise he is a demagogue.

Wickedness is the art of doing naughty things in an offensively public manner

Those people who find this world so wicked might like to consider leaving it

God keep the home where it is thought to be more necessary to have a piano than good food.

The loudest cries of hard luck come from those who have destroyed their bodies with drink, their reputations with disgrace, and their minds with want.

There are people who make themselves so ridiculous living that they are not forgotten when dead.

While thinking of

the good times coming

work the

harder

that you

may enjoy them all the sooner

The reward of

ill nature is the

consciousness that

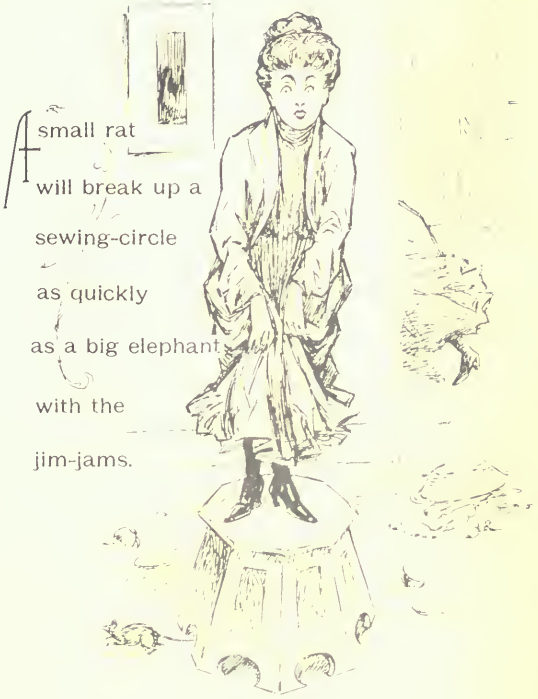
everybody laughs when

you slip on a banana

peel

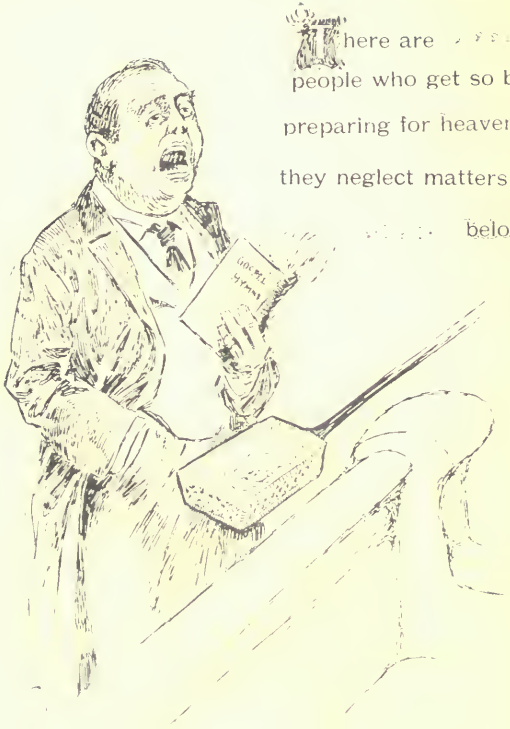
If the Lord should force people to whistle every time they tell a lie at society functions, the music of the orchestra would be drowned

A small rat will break up a sewing-circle as quickly as a big elephant with the jim-jams.



Fools are generally happy.

The most tired people are those who take the most ease.

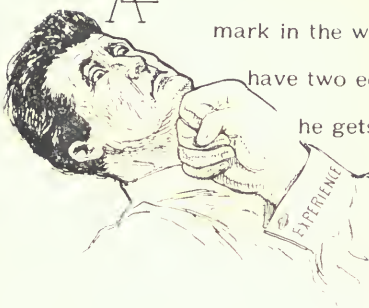


There are
people who get so busy
preparing for heaven that
they neglect matters here
below.

Some of the greatest mistakes ever made are in forming an opinion on too short an acquaintance.

A scandal-monger is as dangerous as a tiger;- attractive in appearance at a distance; when it approaches near enough it will tear you to pieces with its claws.

A man to make a mark in the world must have two educations: one he gets at school, the other from his fellow men.



In modern education every young-one's think-tank is supposed to hold all the knowledge that can be poured into it.

When a woman maintains

for ten years

that she is only thirty,

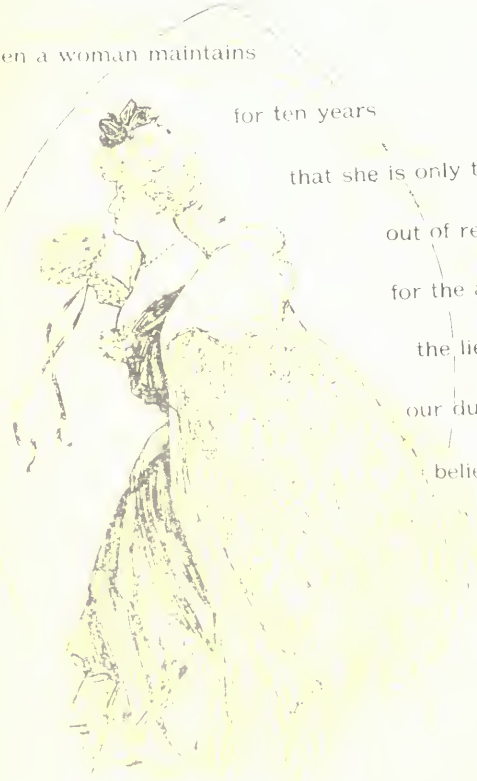
out of respect

for the age of

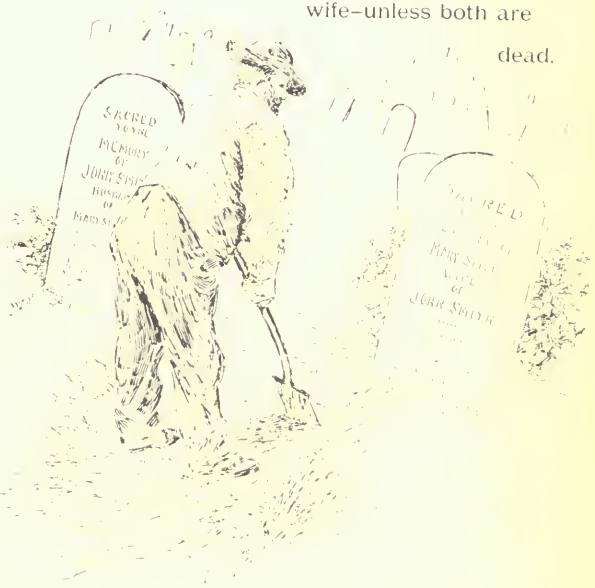
the lie, it is

our duty to

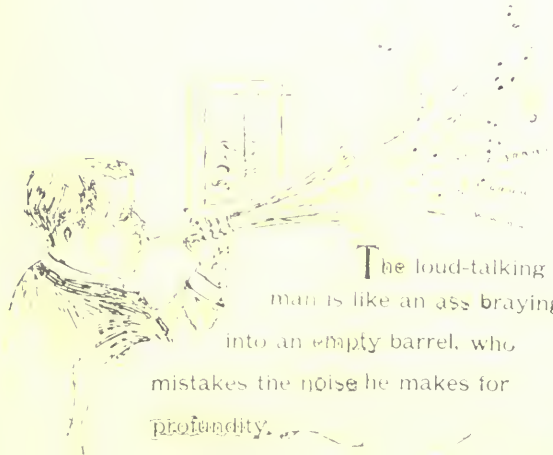
believe it.



A discreet person will never interfere between man and wife–unless both are dead.



What a fine world this would be, if people tried half as hard to get into heaven as they do to get into society!



The loud-talking man is like an ass braying into an empty barrel, who mistakes the noise he makes for profundity.

There are people who thank the Lord for his good will in trying to make the world good, but prayerfully insinuate he is making a mess of it.

It is a remarkably self-contained man who can kick a hat with a brick in it, and limp away with a smile on his face.

The land of hope

always seems to lie in the

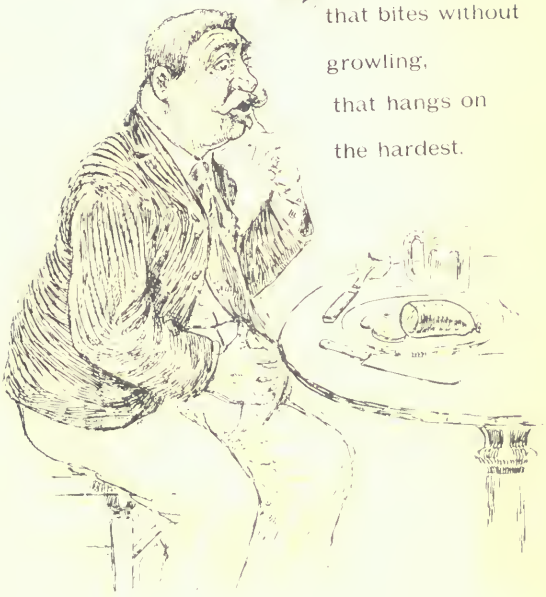
sunny, smiling plain before us;

but we soon learn that the land of fulfilment

lies over the dark and forbidding

mountains beyond

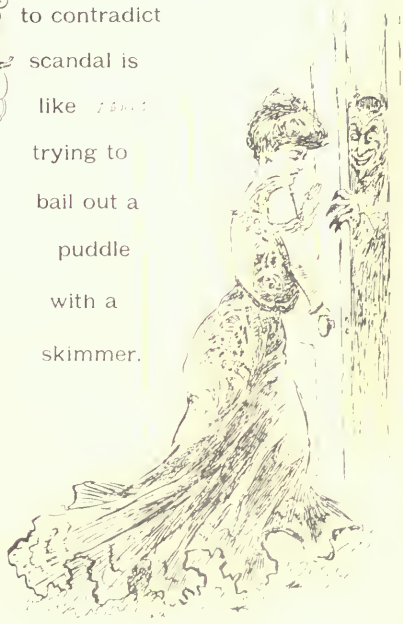
It's the dog
that bites without
growling,
that hangs on
the hardest.



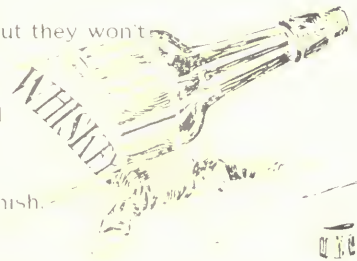
The least sinful
seem to be most in fear
of the day
of judgment.

Some reformers are like the big
bluebottle fly: buzzing and threshing around
until he's tangled in the curtain and bumps his
head on the window,
winding up on
his back,
waving his legs
in the air and praying for help

Trying to contradict scandal is like trying to bail out a puddle with a skimmer.



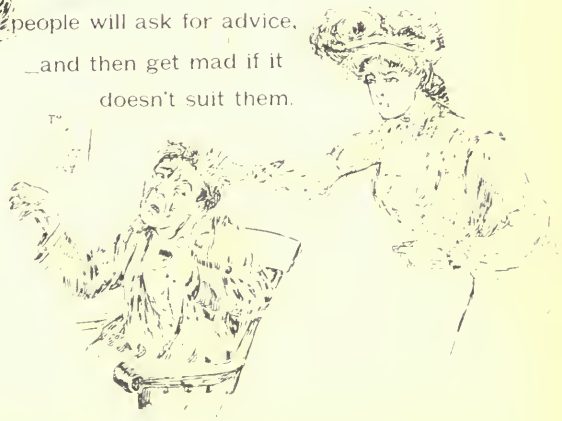
Education, Riches, Refinement, and Good Clothes are the commencement of a gentleman; but they won't prevent Idleness and Drink from being his finish.



Some people in this world couldn't take a joke if you were to fire it into them with a shot gun

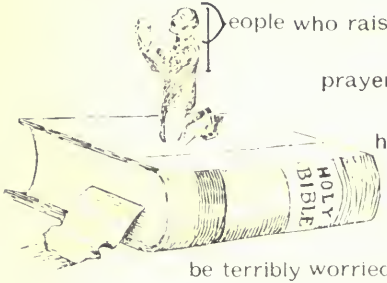
Scandal is like a flea—the more you seek to locate it, the more it will travel, and the harder it will bite.

Some people will ask for advice, and then get mad if it doesn't suit them.



Men spend the
latter half of their lives,
nursing ills brought upon
them by their ignorance
in the first half.

A man can never gain the favor of a woman by arguing with her.



People who raise their voices in prayer to tell the Lord how insignificant they are would be terribly worried if they thought they would be believed.

To get a reputation, all you need is to do something that nobody else has done, no matter how foolish.

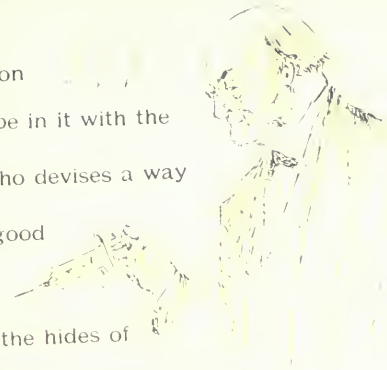
That bird with the most
gorgeous plumage
doesn't always
sing the sweetest.

There is as much agony in the grief of a well thrashed schoolboy as in that of a man who has lost his millions.

There are people who are only able to see one side of a question, and insist there is no other.

The old tabbies sitting on hotel verandahs at the resorts are so worried about other people's faults that they have no time to think of their own.

Edison won't be in it with the man who devises a way to put good advice beneath the hides of people dying for the want of it.



To the man in need of plain advice, sometimes a good beating will do more good than a sermon.

The man refusing to look at the other side of a question, in an argument, is like a one-eyed man trying to aim a gun with his blind eye.

You will make an angry woman madder by only listening to her than by answering her.

The man who said

that figures won't lie

never saw a society

woman make

her

toilette

of corsets,

whalebones,

and the result

of the use of

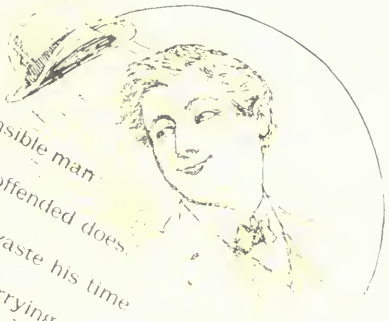
pads and the like.

A baseball team is an aggregation of illiterate gentlemen from all parts of the earth—to whom the local cranks delight to allude as "we."

Preaching is the art of dispensing the gospel in a manner to entertain and, at the same time, not to offend wealthy pew owners.

The average policeman is a man with whom it is a sacrilege to argue and blasphemy to doubt. He is usually brave, frequently thirsty, often in love, and always tired.

There are women,
who remind
one of angels–
because
they are so different.



The sensible man when offended does not waste his time worrying over how angry he is.

A man with an empty stomach is a poor listener.

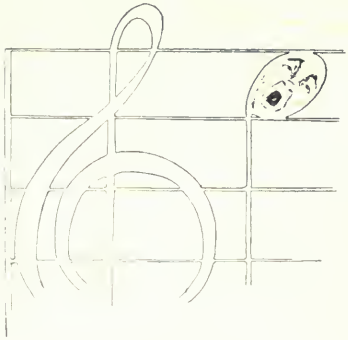
The wise man never howls when in a peck of trouble: he thanks the Lord the peck is not a bushel, and climbs out.

It is a bright woman who knows when to stop talking; but where will that jewel of the sex be found that knows enough not to commence at all?

Moses was meek,
but not as meek
as he who, after
carrying the hod
all day
in the
broiling
sun, at the
behest of his
mother-in-law walks the floor all night
with the baby, without a protest

A rolling stone
gathers no moss, but it
may become beautifully
polished.

There is a note of anguish in the singing of the singer who cannot sing—to the listener.



Preserve us from the bore who can't sing but who agonizes us by continually trying.

It's an unhappy household where all the smiles are dispensed in society and all the frowns at home.

Any man in society who can make a fool of himself in a new way will find plenty of people to call him great.

Those who will make any sacrifice rather than deny themselves momentary enjoyment, find that the future has only trouble in store for them.

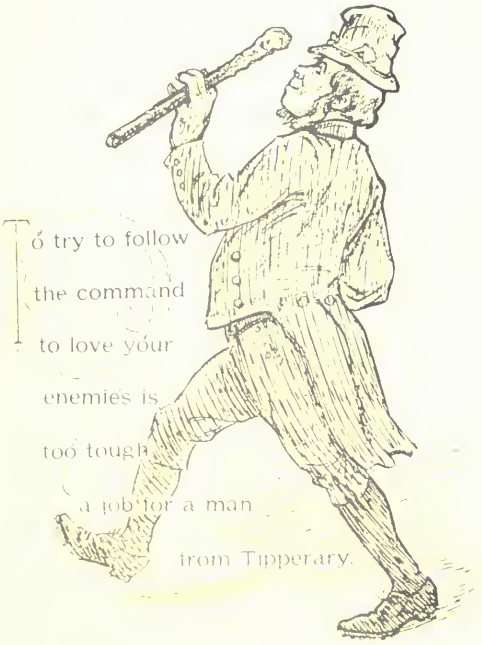
A rich man fairly tearing his nails out to make money for some worthless son to waste should be punished in the hereafter by being compelled to twist a rope of hay for a jackass to eat as fast as twisted.

It often happens that you'll accuse someone else of fooling you when you are only deceiving yourself.

A fool can do more harm to himself with a pen than with poison.

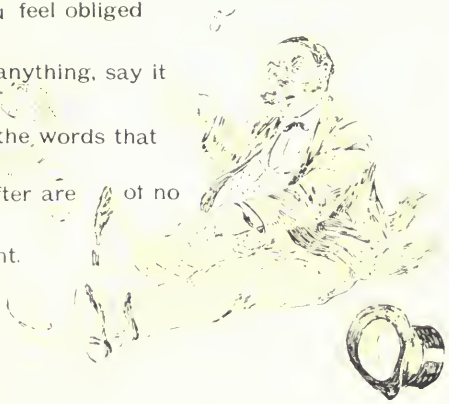
Fine raiment and jewels serve very well to certify to the refinement of some women, so long as they don't speak

A woman will cry with dismay at seeing an insect destroyed, and then calmly keep a lover on the gridiron of doubt for a week


Tó try to follow
the command
to love yóur
enemies is
toó tough
a job for a man
from Tipperary.

Brooding over trouble won't lighten it; the best thing to do is to go to the cornfield and hoe till your mind clears itself.

If you feel obliged to say anything, say it before; the words that come after are of no account.



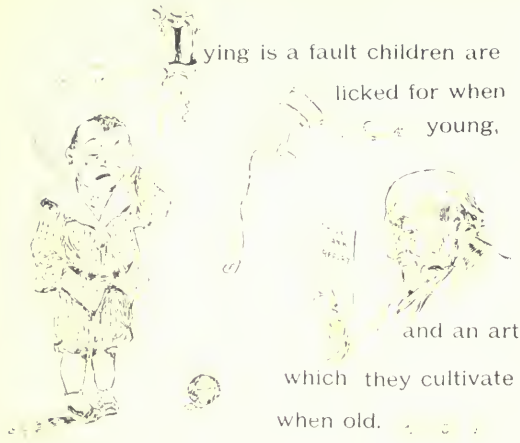
Some of the biggest asses in the world are to be found among the rich: the only use they make of their wealth is to convert themselves into fools.

Many a man has strained his constitution for ten years to get a reputation for character, and lost it all in ten minutes in an ill-natured row with a woman.

A full purse and
an empty head soon
change conditions.

It needs only
a little time to transform
"a good fellow" into "a poor devil."

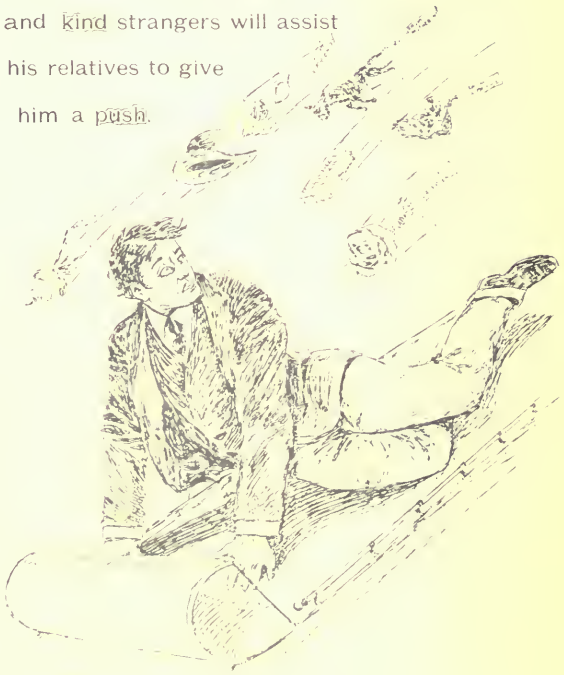
Not the early riser, but
he who gets the best
sleep, wins the worms.



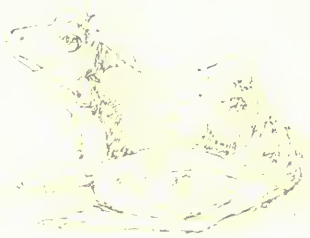
Lying is a fault children are licked for when young, and an art which they cultivate when old.

A dude, is one who fancies people will measure his character by his clothes—and they do!

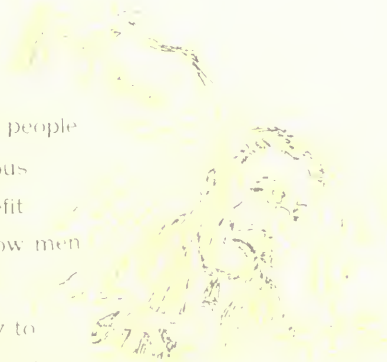
When a man commences to toboggan
down the slide of misfortune–
his neighbors will grease the way,
and kind strangers will assist
his relatives to give
him a push.



Preserve us from the bore who discourses to us upon his ills—just where his aches are and just what his pills.



There are people so zealous to benefit their fellow men that they are ready to knock them down and stamp on them in the process.



Sarcasm is a sword

without a handle.

She who wields it

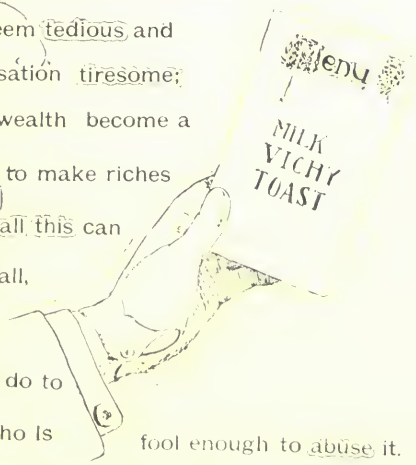
must have

a care that she

herself be not cut

To be a great man is not like a picnic where there's only sunshine and no ants to get in the butter.

To starve at a well-filled table; to have music seem tedious and conversation tiresome; to have wealth become a burden; to make riches useless—all this can any small, ordinary stomach do to a man who is fool enough to abuse it.

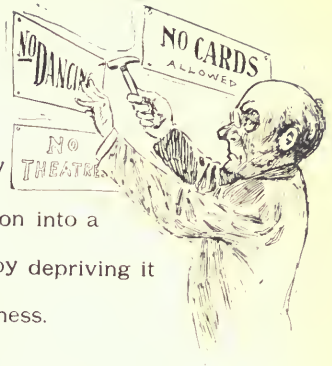


Some people are like soap bubbles--attractive when first seen; but when you try to grasp them!--

There are about twenty-eight hundred kinds of disease for you to die of; and each one has a favorite microbe to get a waiting whack at you.

The genius does one thing too well and other things not well enough.

Many good people don't realize that they turn their religion into a gloomy farce by depriving it of its cheerfulness.



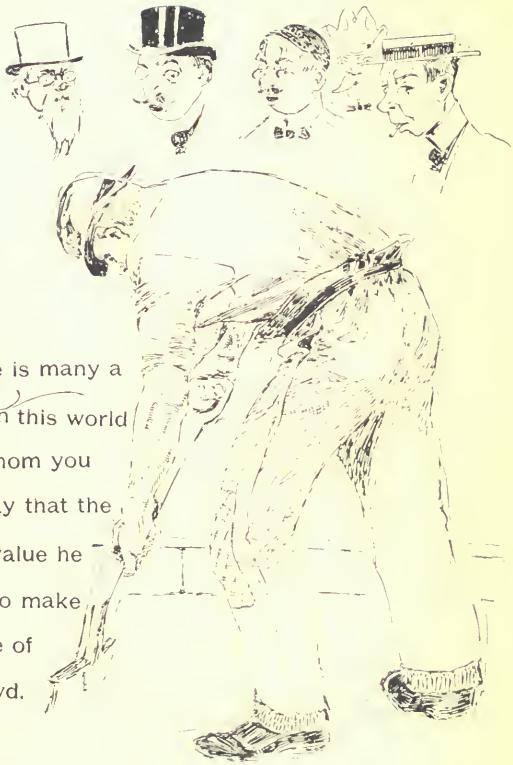
When a man confesses he does not know much it is well to believe him; as men are not given to boasting of their ignorance.

You see but one side of yourself at a time in a mirror—your neighbors are able to see all sides at once.

Be quick, but don't hurry! Remember, when you have done a thing well, then you have done it quickly enough.

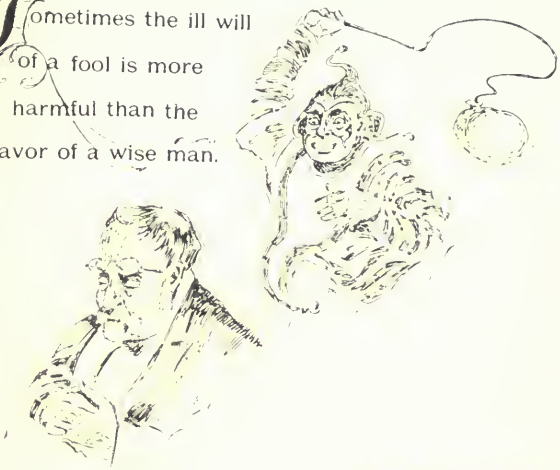
I've learned to tell by the quality of her cooking just the condition of the cook's mind.

There are plenty of sharp men, but there is none that ever lived that some woman couldn't deceive.



There is many a man in this world of whom you can say that the only value he has, is to make up one of a crowd.

Sometimes the ill will of a fool is more harmful than the favor of a wise man.



Sometimes blessings come to us disguised as misfortunes

They say the last thing a woman does before getting into bed is to look under it; yet if she finds something she is not only disappointed but surprised.

Women are fine linguists—
a few of them in several languages.
All the rest are fine enough
in only one.

The world is a queer place, where blockheads win renown, fools get riches, and honest men starve.

True religion is the art of being sincerely good, without being ridiculous.

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